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ONE of the leading Southern Democrats in the House said just before the caucus met yesterday "that the Northern Demo-"crats thought the Southern members " ought not to be too conservative, or the " public might think they were only play-"ing a part to secure friends." So we may expect that the prohibition laid upon the Southern fire eaters will, to some extent, be removed, and we will be treated to some exhibitions of domestic fireworks equal to the best imported articles. Ben Hill, of Georgia, will probably eat a few pounds of blazing cotton and pull from his mouth a hundred or so yards of red, white and blue ribbon.

JUST AFTER the close of the rebellion the public lands in the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Louisiana and Mississippi were withdrawn from sale and entry, and have so remained ever since. This has certainly worked a hardship on those States by curtailing their revenues, as no doubt thousands of acres of lands would have been entered and taxes paid upon them if it had not been for this law. No reason exists why this discrimination between these and the other States should continue, and we are pleased to note that Senater Clayton, of Arkansas, has introduced a bill repealing the enactment which withdraws the public lands in the States mentioned from market, putting all the States upon ac equality. The bill has been referred to the Committee on Public Lands, and we see no reason why it should not at once become a law.

" FLAPDOODLE " The New York World advances some entirely new ideas as to the powers of the different branches of this Government. It says that Speaker Kerr had as much right to remove Henderson as President Grant had. It has been the theory of the World that President Grant, as the head of the Executive Department, was responsible for the acts of his appointees. We could, if it were necessary, quote from the World some vituperation, if not strong articles, denouncing the President for the action of men who held their positions by his appointment; but, as Mr. Toots said. "it's of no consequence" what the World has said in the past-that has no influence upon what it says in the present or may say in the future. That astute paper says the Secretary of

the Treasury is the only man, after his appointment, that has anything to do with the collection of the whisky tax, and the Attorney General the only one who has anything to do with prosecutions, and that anything to do with prosecutions, and that Congress looks to them, and to them only, 2 The financial condition of the road, October 1, 1874, was as follows: for the collection of the tax. In one of Marryatt's novels, a warrant officer having andulged in some such talk as that of the World, Master's Mate O'Brien said, as he walked off, "That man has fed most of his life on flapdoodle," and then explained that "flapdoodle is the stuff on which fools are fed." The only conclusion that one can come to, after reading the World's article on "Henderson and the Division of Public Powers," is that the only pabulum of the World is "tlandoodle." After all. however, the removal of Mr. Henderson was not the act of the President so much as it was of the Cabinet, including Messrs. Bristow and Pierrepont. In short, it was the upanimous act of the entire Cabinet.

THE DEPAR : MEN IS AND THE CENTEN ARY FESTIVAL. Gradually as we draw nearer and nearer the Centennial of our nation's birth the interest of our country becomes more and more manifest, giving the most positive evidence that the people are fully determined to lose no efforts which will secure a complete success to this, the greatest undertaking of the kind ever originated. There is at present vigorous indications all over the country of activity among the leaders which cannot fail to be fruitious. The respective-States, with but a few exceptions, have come generously to the support of the great enterprise, and those who have been slothful to move in this matter are beginning to see the necessity of prompt and energetic action, and are coming rapidly to the front with announcements that they enter the arena of competition determined to outstrip their sister States in the grand display in the ten different departments which are cassified as follows: 1. Rawmaterial mineral, vegetable and animal, 2. Materials and manufactures used for food or in the arts the result of extractive or combining processes. 4. Textile and felted fabrics: apparel costumes and ornaments for the person. 4. Furniture and manufactures of general use in construction and in dwellings. 5. Tools, implements, machines and processes. 6. Motors and transportations 7. Apparatus and methods for the increas and diffusion of knowledge. 8. Engineering, public works, architecture, &c. 9. Plastic and graphic arts. '10. Objects for the illustration of efforts for the improvement of the physical, intellectual and moral condition of man. In this complete catalogue we find a list of everything which pertains to the welfare of the human race and the field for an exhibition which will surpass in its magnificent appointments the Expositions of ancient or modern times. The features, however, 12 which we are particularly interested are those which are to be derived and sustained by the different Departments of the National Government. The Smithsonian and Agricultural Bureaus are putting forth vigorous efforts to make the details of those departments thorough in every respect. The Indian Bureau, which will undoubtedly be one of the mos interesting and instructive features of the Exhibition, particularly to foreigners, has already taken steps to collect a full representation of the costumes and habits of the abor'gines, and an Indian camp, with all its distinctive features, comprising representative braves and their families from

the more important tribes in the country,

who will occupy the grotesque teepees, will

he established on the grounds near the

Government buildings. The Bureau of

Education is vigilantly attending to its in-

terests, and bids well to make a great suc

cess. Commissioner Burdette, of the Gen

eral Land Office, has taken active steps to

secure a complete map of the United States

which will be executed with the best topo

belonging to the geographical condition of

the country. It will be the largest map of

the United States ever published, being

four times the dimensions of the excellent

map issued annually from that Department.

The War and Navy Departments have a

wide field for operations, and although the

appropriations given by Congress last year

are far too small to do them full justice, still

they are actively engaged in planning to make what they have go as far as it can

graphical skill, and contain every fee

Taken altogether, the National Govern-Taken altogether, the National Govern-ment, through its Departments, will be handsomely represented, and if the respect-ive States accomplish as much in proportion, our Centenary Festival of the Declaration of Independence will be greeted by the Old World as an interesting and instructive SUCCESS.

A WHITE MAN'S CONGRESS.

The rejection of negro representation from the American Congress cannot be compensated for by sending up white Republican Senators and Representatives from the Southern States. To make this compromise would be to give Republican countenance to the Confederate Democratic idea that this is a white man's government. What is needed in order to confront Confederate representation in the American Congress is negro representation in the National Legislature When the Repub-TUESDAY MORNING DECEMBER 14 1875. lican sentiment of Virginia or Maryland will unite with what is truly enlightened in the Opposition, and give us a colored Senator from either of these white-majority Southern States, then the negro power in South Carolina, Florida, Mississippi and Louisiana will be safe in sending up white Representatives to Washington. But so long as the Confederate-Democracy keep up the color line in Southern politics, and so long as they claim that this is a "white man's" government, the Republican party must defend the right of negro representation in Congress. To reject Mr. Pinchback, therefore, and admit Mr. Anybody Else, whether Confederate or Republican would be enabling the enemy to make Re publican Louisiana add her influence to the policy of a "white representation" in Con-

> If Republicans will confront this Confederate power now established in Congress, the public sentiment of the nation will sustain us in our cause. If we bow to this Confederate power, public sentiment will turn from us with distrust and disgust. The principle involved in Mr. Pinchback's case cannot be abandoned or compromised WASHINGTON AND GEORGETOWN RAIL

We understand that an effort will b made by the New York stockholders of this company to change the management of the road at the annual election in January. In common with the best citizens of this Dis trict we hope that the other stockholders will unite and prevent this result. While this road was under their control formerly we had nothing but complaints from the local press and the people. The road was so expensively managed that no dividends were paid from its earnings, and it was compelled to borrow the money to pay the dividends that were made. With the accession of Mr. Hurt to the presidency the salary of that officer was reduced from \$10,000 to \$4,000. In all the other departments of the road reductions were made and the strictest economy practiced, and the results as given by three of our best citizens-Mr. Glover, of Riggs & Co.; Mr. Edward Temple, vice president of the Bank of Washington; and Mr. Leonard Whitney, manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company-show the importance of maintaining the present management

They say : 1. We find that Mr. Hurt, president of the road since the 1st of October, 1874, succeeded to his present honorable position, through the various grades of promotion, from the humble position of conductor some eleven years since. This, to our minds, is evidence conclusive that he performed his duties well previous to his

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5. We find, also, that new work, in the line of construction, by direction of last Congress to the extent of about one mile of double

tracks, has been done during the present year, for which no allowance is given above, on account of the difficulty of obtaining the exact amount by separating items from charges for general track repairs.
6. We find the road, in all its appointments and equipments, in the finest condition ever known to us, having been residents of the city ince the date of its organization.

since the date of its organization.

The above conclusions leave us to search beyond any facts connected with the present administration of the company's affairs to ascertain the cause of the intended removal of any officer of the company. This, as business men, we do not think it necessary to do. The present administration is a very popular one with the citizens of Washington, from whose patronage the road derives its principal sup-port, and we feel assured that any change in the direct management will be productive of little good to the stockholders of the road.

It appears that sound palicy in the management of the affairs of the company would dictate the acceptance by the stockholders of the recommendations of the gen tlemen quoted above. If the property is to be managed in the interest of the public and the stockholders combined, if their interests are identical and dividends are to be earned and paid, it is clear that the present policy should be continued, and that these officers who have done so well should be

MINOR TOPICS.

Guibord is laid away in his little cell, and now they propose to take the granite-stone sar-cophages intended for him and carry it about he country for the purpose of exhibiting it at twenty-five cents a view. The patience of a generous people will wane some day, and they will lay the exhibitor out in the sarcophagus and plant it in some quiet place, where it will cease to be a public nuisance.

One hundred and fifty persons were reported lost at first on the Pacific: it is now stated that three hundred perished. Fifty persons were at first said to have been killed by the explosion on the Mosel; the cable now anounces that nearly one hundred were sent to heir long home. There is something mysteri ous about this great inaccuracy, and it will not be solved until private interests are made to subserve the public weal.

"First, no further contraction; second, a repeal of the resumption act, and third, the substitution of greenbacks for national bank notes," is the financial plank in the Democratic platform which the Cincinnati Engl has firmly planted its foot upon, and says that through shipwreck and disaster, through disease and tribulations, through misery and even ruin, it will cling to it, yea, even though the heavens fall.

It has been a noticeable fact from time imemorial that every effort to alleviate the suffering of the poor by soup-houses and free lunch establishments has in a measure failed. Either the funds donated to sustain the establishment are inadequate to its proper support, or those in whose charge it is fall to manage the details of the institution so as to secure the most good. What the great mass of our people really need is not the thin, sloppy soup and equalid mess of a free-luncheon esta ment, but some substantial, nutritious food, firstshed at the lowest possible prices and served in a plain, neat and comfertable way. To be a success, it should be a place where the rates are so reasonable and the food so "filling at the price" that a man won't stand on th e with ten cents in his pocket and aeditate for a half hour what is best to do "to take a stovepipe of lager or a plump bowl of catmeal and pure milk."

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